Abolition of FIPB

32. SHRI S. ANGNIRAJ: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that FIPB is being abolished;

(b) if so, what alternate steps are being taken to clear foreign investment proposals in a single window system;

(c) whether it is also a fact that FIPB abolition will create problems for quick flow of foreign technology and funds; and

(d) what steps are being taken to bring in more funds through FDI?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

(d) With a view to attracting more FDI, the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy is being constantly reviewed so as to make it both attractive and investor friendly keeping in mind national priorities. The Foreign Investment Implementation Authority (FIIA) has been set up to facilitate speedy implementation of approved FDI projects.

Export of Food, Fruits, Vegetables From Maharashtra

33. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of quantity of food, fruit and vegetable items exported from Maharashtra during the last five years, itemwise and yearwise separately; and

(b) their effect, availability and price in the internal market?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) The Central Government maintains export data for the country as a whole and, not State-wise.

Legislation for Trade Related Intellectual Property Rights

34. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state: